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REMARKS

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1. A camp of cantonment buildings and tents, occupied to capacity by tank troops, was observed north of NEUBERGLITZ (N 54/U 54), about 650 feet west of the road leading to WEISDIN (N 54/U 54). About 30 tanks, mostly T34/85s, were parked in the western section of the camp

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2. The kaserne on Penzlinerstrasse, NEUBERGLITZ, was occupied to capacity by tank troops. Many tanks were seen in four large garages, as well as 15 canvas-covered armored vehicles outside the garages.

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3. Forty to fifty trucks

were in a new parking lot opposite the clerk's kaserne, NEUBERGLITZ. About 10 trucks

were parked in the kaserne yard. Several canvas-covered tanks were parked beside the garages.

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of the Zierker Kaserne were recently strengthened. Five watchtowers with mounted floodlights were recently constructed around the Kaserne area.

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[redacted] about 40 tanks from this Kaserne had been loaded for shipment to an unidentified destination on 1 October 1949.

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4. The following observations were made in NEUSTRELITZ:

a. Neue Infanterie Kaserne on Zierker Strasse:*

About three hundred recruits were observed drilling. One group of recruits was instructed on the T34 tank. Fifteen camouflaged T34 and JS tanks were parked in the woods behind the Kaserne. Earth bunkers for the storage of ammunition were under construction in a fenced-in woods area north of the Kaserne.

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b. Alte Grenadier Kaserne, on Strelitzerstrasse: * Occupied to capacity by recruits. A column of about two hundred recruits wearing ruby-colored epaulets marched into the Kaserne. Officers and NCOs observed in the Kaserne area wore artillery insignia.

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c. Restricted area on Zierkerstrasse (south of the Neue Infanterie Kaserne): Twelve trucks, a radio truck and six light armored reconnaissance cars were seen in an open barn. A small cantonment building, occupied by troops, and a small fuel dump were also in the area.

d. Soviet compound north of Glambeck Lake, on both sides of Fritz-Reuter-Strasse: Occupied by a high unit headquarters (or a large telephone exchange) ** Ten individual telephone lines and five rubber-insulated wires converged in the compound area. One wire led toward HUSBANDENBURG (N 54/U 66).

e. Fenced-in woods area east of Glambeck Lake: Parking lot for tanks. Four T34 tanks were seen there.

f. Lt Col YEFIMOV was chief of the NEUSTRELITZ kommandatura.

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5. It was learned that large tank units were in the wooded areas between NEUSTRELLITZ (N 54/U) and FULSTENBERG (N 54/U) and between NEUSTRELLITZ and KATZBURG (N 54/U).

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6. a. The kaserne on Penzlinerstrasse, NEUSTRELLITZ, was occupied to capacity by tank, artillery and infantry units totaling about three thousand troops. Several canvas-covered tanks were parked in front of the garages. Trucks left the kaserne area.

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7. Thirty-seven canvas-covered armored vehicles and motor vehicles were seen near the Infanterie kaserne on Dr. Schwendtnerstrasse:

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Comment:

a. It is assumed from previous information and from this report that most of the field units of the 9th Gds Tank Div conducted their summer maneuvers in the area north and south of NEUSTRELLITZ.

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a few units of the division also practiced in the HITTSDORF-SCHNEIDMICH and JUSTERBOG-LUCKENWALDE areas.

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- * b. Information on the NEUSTRELLITZ kasernes indicates that recruits who arrived there after the late summer of 1949 were trained at the post until early October 1949.
- ** c. Confirms the NEUSTRELLITZ Headquarters of the 9th Gds Tank Div to 10 October 1949.

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